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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby make of record the patents and publications listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of references A1-A15, B1-B2 and C1 are not provided herewith as each reference has been previously submitted or cited (with references A10-A15 cited by the Examiner) in patent application serial no. 10/277,575, which is relied upon for an earlier effective filing date under 35 U.S.C. §120.

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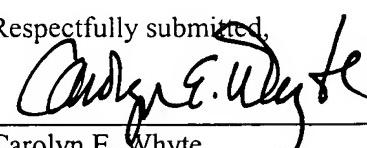
It is respectfully requested that each of the patents and publications listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, be made of record in this application.

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	B2	WO 00/45744	08/10/00	PCT			01/12/00	N	Y

OTHER ART, JOURNAL ARTICLES, ETC.

EXAM. INIT.	OTHER DOCUMENTS: (Including Author, Title, Date, Relevant Pages, Place of Publication)							
	C1	International Search Report for International Application Serial No. PCTUS 03/32286, mailing date of February 4, 2004, 4 pages						
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